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## Two bands, one great dance

Musical guest Charlie Davis performs with Custom Blend at the Two Bands One Great Dance concert on April 15 at the Legion in Haliburton. The evening also included Fifth Business and was a fundraiser for Highlands Summer Festival. More on page 5. /DARREN LUM Staff

## Wilberforce ready for its close-up on CBC

SUE TIFFIN  
Staff Reporter

One day soon, CBC viewers might be tuning in to see Highlands East Reeve Dave Burton on a side-by-side, taking the host of *Still Standing* to breakfast at the Wilberforce Legion.

The comedy/reality series, hosted by Jonny Harris, is coming to town from May 11 through 15 to interview locals and feature Wilberforce on an upcoming episode.

"We are extremely proud of this happening in our municipality," said Burton. "And we're extremely pleased they picked us."

The process for Wilberforce to be chosen for the show required much effort from town residents and township staff.

The show producers wanted to know about the history of the town, new businesses in town, the old veneer plant, old businesses, attractions in the town and interesting people.

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## Dragon-boaters competing in New Zealand

JERELYN CRADEN  
*Special to the Echo*

Excitement is growing for seven members of the Haliburton Highlands Paddlers dragon boating club who will compete in the largest multi-sport event in the world – the 2017 World Masters Games in Auckland, New Zealand this week.

"I'm retired and I never thought I'd be doing this," said Haliburton resident, Carolyn Ellis.

"The first thing that got me going was when we competed at the Port Perry Dragonboat Festival and we won a medal. I got excited and loved it."

Ellis joins locals, Pamela Boyce, Lillian Hall, Linda Shulist, Chris Whittemore, and Lois Deacon who will compete with 22 other paddlers from Lindsay as part of the all-women IB Dragonboating Club team. "My husband, Mac, will compete on IB's mixed crew of six men and four women, one drummer and one steersperson. We wanted to experience it together," Ellis said.

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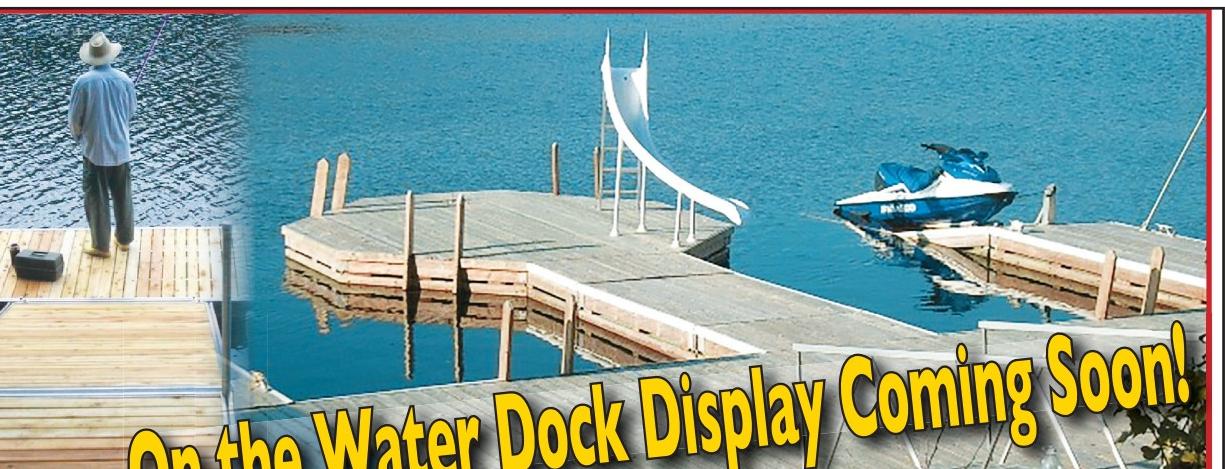
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### Doing their part

J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary Grade 8 student Tyler Wilson attempts to pull trash from driftwood, as Grade 7 student Jacob Boomhour looks on during the School Clean Up for Earth Day event, facilitated by the Rotary Club of Haliburton on Friday, April 21 in Haliburton. Although Earth Day is officially on April 22, this school day event included some 60 students from JDHES's Grade 4/5 class, the Practical Academic and Life Skills students and the "coaching" students, who were rewarded for their effort of a little more than an hour with a hotdog and burger lunch provided by the Rotary Club./DARREN LUM Staff

JDHES Grade 5 students Allie Todd, left, and Ceinwyn Mathura help each other with trash during the School Clean Up for Earth Day event.



## Ice melts off Head Lake April 17

Congratulations to Mike Grinnell, who won this year's *Haliburton Echo* Head Lake Ice Out contest. The last lump of ice disappeared from the water in the morning of Monday, April 17. Mike's guess was 7:30 a.m., an hour

early, and he's received a year subscription to the *Echo*. Most people guessed the ice would last longer than it did. Thanks to the dozens of participants in this year's contest.

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## Echo places third in Canadian competition

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The *Echo* placed second in the editorial page category. Reporter Angela Long received a first place for her article on Robert Bateman in the feature writing category.

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## August dates set for biochar OMB hearing

JENN WATT

Editor

Hearing dates have been set for an appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board regarding Haliburton Forest's proposed biochar facility on Kennaway Road.

On Friday, April 21, lawyers representing Haliburton Forest and Wild Life Reserve, a group of appellants and Dysart et al met at council chambers in Haliburton overseen by OMB member Laurie Bruce. Lawyer Leo F. Longo, representing Haliburton Forest, presented a request to adjourn, explaining that his initial motion to dismiss was premature as necessary consultations had not yet happened.

Catharine Gonnen, Laurie Wheeler, Larry Lowenstein and Douglas Buchanan have each appealed separately to the OMB with the same concerns: that a biochar facility would be a noxious use, that it is a waste processing plant, that the bylaw is not consistent with provincial policy and that the use does not conform to the Dysart et al and Haliburton County official plans.

In the notice to dismiss from Haliburton Forest it states: "none of the reasons set out in the filed appeals disclose any apparent land use planning ground upon which the appeals could be allowed in whole or in part by the board in this matter."

The document states that the facility is "neither a 'noxious use' nor a 'waste processing plant'" and goes on to say that it conforms with the official plans and is consistent with provincial policy.

Haliburton Forest first came to council with a request to rezone the property from general industrial, extractive industrial and rural type 1 to general industrial 8 exception. On Jan. 23, council voted to approve the rezoning application.

The site has previously been used as a wood pellet manufacturing business.

On Friday, it was determined that the full hearing would be Aug. 29, 30 and 31.

(Should Haliburton Forest move forward with their motion to dismiss, a hearing date set for July 28 has been set.)

In order to move ahead with their plans to build a biochar facility, Haliburton Forest must also receive approval from the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change, which Dysart councillors have argued would negate the appellants' claims that it is noxious.

In an affidavit from the Forest's managing director and Haliburton Forest Biochar Inc. director Malcolm Cockwell, he says local public sentiment is largely supportive of their project. He notes Drag and Spruce Lakes Property Owners Association's executive voted against filing an appeal to the OMB.

He also said the four appellants would not personally have much interaction with the facility, which is located at minimum 1.25 kilometres as the crow flies from the closest appellant's home. (The farthest, according to the affidavit, is 3.62 kilometres.)

Many attended the brief meeting on Friday, though the group was a mix of supporters and detractors as well as a few neutral parties.

Haliburton Forest Biochar had previously intended to have the equipment delivered and operating on the site by this July.

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# Seeking more info on public art show

CHAD INGRAM

Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed during an April 24 meeting of Dysart et al council.

Councillors are seeking more information on a request from the Arts Council Haliburton Highlands and Art in Public Spaces Committee to hang works by local artists in public spaces during the year in celebration of Dysart's sesquicentennial anniversary.

"Our goal is to display artistic works that are representative of the municipality at various public and business locations throughout our community," read the request. "Each piece will be accompanied by a description of how the work relates to the area, an artist's biography, and a QR code that will enable viewers to access additional information, including a map of all the participating venues, via their smartphones."

The artworks would hang from June 26 through Oct. 10.

Some members of council had concerns that having art hanging in the township office, especially in council chambers, might be distracting.

"This is a public room, but it's council's room," said Councillor Walt McKechnie. "Once we start doing that, what comes next? What, are we going to start selling vegetables?"

Reeve Murray Fearrey pointed out that some businesses already act as de facto art galleries, displaying and selling the works of local artists.

"Pinestone puts them up all the time," Fearrey said.

"Baked and Battered puts art up all the time."

"I think it needs to be better defined," said Councillor Dennis Casey, referring to just how much art might be placed in the township office.

Council will wait for more information before making a decision.

## Winter maintenance request

Residents of Bonnyville Road near Cruiser Lake would like the municipality to start maintaining the municipally owned road during the wintertime, which it traditionally hasn't.

"It's very short. It's a very short road," resident Lynne Tate told councillors. "It just seems like it would be really simple for the plow guys."

The road is approximately 1.5 kilometres long and is now home to four year-round families, as well as a number of cottages.

"We're all retired seniors," Tate said. "It would be great if that bylaw could be amended to include winter maintenance."

Currently, residents hire a contractor for snowplowing but Tate said it's getting increasingly difficult to find someone for the job, since the road is so short.

She stressed the road could accommodate a snow plow.

"It was beautifully built," Tate said.

"It's a well-built road," agreed Reeve Murray Fearrey, who said council would consider adding the road to the township's winter maintenance schedule. "The issue for us is if we have time on that run."

Fearrey said residents could expect a response in the fall.

## Passing on free parking

Council passed on a suggestion from the Haliburton BIA that there be free parking in the village for its Come to Town Tuesday events, which take place in Haliburton during the summer months. While the idea would be to attract more people to town, "on those particular days, there is no [available] parking," said Reeve Murray Fearrey. "So I don't think it's going to change anything. For one dollar for one hour, I don't think that's a deterrent."

"People are coming to town," agreed Deputy-reeve Andrea Roberts, adding that there was parking near Rotary Beach that was underutilized.

## Commemorative garden

Council gave the Haliburton Lions Club the green light for a commemorative garden in Head Lake Park in honour of Dysart's sesquicentennial anniversary and the 100-year anniversary of Lions Club International.

All costs, work and maintenance will be borne by the Lions Club, whose members will meet with township staff to select an appropriate location.

An opening ceremony is tentatively scheduled for July 1.

## PTSD policy

Councillors approved a post-traumatic stress disorder prevention plan and anti-stigma policy for the Dysart et al fire department. The Ministry of Labour has mandated that all municipalities employing first responders draw up such plans. The fire chiefs of the county's four municipal fire services worked together on the plan and a county-wide peer support team will also be created.

# Increased demand for heating help in the Highlands

JENN WATT

Editor

Help was in high demand this winter for home heating, with 238 clients assisted by Heat Bank Haliburton County, despite milder temperatures than previous years.

The heaviest usage of the emergency fuel program came from Highlands East, with 37 per cent of clients, followed by Minden Hills with 31 per cent.

Organizers John Teljeur and Tina Jackson said this was the busiest season they've seen so far, with almost 90 loads of wood distributed and two of the five wood banks depleted or near depletion.

Teljeur said part of the problem comes from clients who can't catch up on their bills, even when the weather reduces the amount of fuel or electricity needed for heat.

**Book of the Month**  
**The Spawning Grounds**  
By Gail Anderson-Dargatz

On one side of the river is a ranch once owned by Eugene Robertson as a homesteader. On the other side is a Shuswap community that has its own tangled history with the river – and the white settlers. At the heart of the novel are Hannah and Brandon, descendants of Eugene, and their childhood best friend, Alex, who leads a Native protest against the development threatening the health of the river. When drowning nearly claims the life of Brandon, their world is thrown into chaos. Hannah, Alex, and Brandon come to doubt their own reality as they are pulled deep into Brandon's numinous visions, which summon the myths of Shuswap culture and tragic family stories of the past.

*The Spawning Grounds* by Gail Anderson-Dargatz is one of 2017's Evergreen Award selections, part of the Ontario Library Association's Forest of Reading. Read one or more books through the year and vote for your favourite in September. *The Spawning Grounds* is available to reserve at the Haliburton County Public Library.

"This winter hasn't been as tough as it was in years past," he said. "People just can't catch up. They're sacrificing one thing for another."

It's often heat or food that is reduced in the budget to allow the household to pay down other bills, he said.

The Heat Bank also observed an increase in applications to the Low-income Energy Assistance Program and the Ontario Electrical Support Program, for which they process intake applications. Twelve LEAP applications and 14 OESP applications were submitted by the Heat

Bank for clients. There were 40 local households with hydro-related emergencies.

The Heat Bank is overseen by the Central Food Network, a not-for-profit also responsible for food banks in Cardiff, Wilberforce and Haliburton County Community Garden Network. Donations are processed through the CFN and 100 per cent of money for the Heat Bank goes to heat-based emergencies for clients, a press release from the group says. To find out more: heatbankhc.ca.

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# Up River heads up to Haliburton

SUE TIFFIN

Staff Reporter

Haliburton residents looking for coffee with a little oomph are now able to get a drink with their name on it.

The Hali Latte – Balzac's espresso, steamed milk and locally produced maple syrup – is on offer at Up River Trading Co.'s newest location at 211 Highland Street. The Haliburton location of the popular Minden cafe and gift shop opened on April 15 with a soft launch at the former location of the Highlands Pharmacy, which has moved next door.

"We feel that what we've built in Minden is a meeting place, an experience, and we want to bring the same to Haliburton," said Paul Roy, who co-owns the business with Mike McKeon. "The time is

right now to expand into Haliburton."

The Minden business also expanded into the building next door on Bobcaygeon Road last summer.

"We've had great success and have been really supported and warmly received by the community," said Roy.

Roy said the stores will offer the same core assortment of products and menu items, but will offer unique items at each location as well, for customers to enjoy both spaces differently.

"It's the full experience – people can mingle over a cup of coffee, catch up with friends and shop for interesting gift items and accessories," he said.

Both Up River Trading Co. locations are open 8:45 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday to Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday. Hours will be extended during the summer months.

Up River Trading Company owners Paul Roy and Mike McKeon stand in front of their new store in Haliburton on Saturday, April 22, during the grand opening. McKeon and Roy already operate an Up River store in Minden.  
DAVID ZILSTRA Staff



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# CRS new location provides greater opportunity and choice

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

Everything is available at one location now for CRS, or Contractor Rental Supply of Haliburton.

It added close to four times more space after it moved to 162 Industrial Park Rd. from its 37 Mallard Rd. location where it served its customers for close to 15 years. The new location includes a larger outdoor area and building that boasts a bigger and brighter showroom.

Manager Doug Tallman takes pride in being able to offer virtually anything a customer could need from hand tools to heavy machinery.

"If we don't have it we can get it from one of our other stores. There's new things in the works. But it's a nicer, bigger, brighter showroom," he said.

The manager said this brings everything under one roof, as opposed to the last location, which required two buildings, one on Mallard Road and the other on Industrial Park Road where its service equipment was.

Operating hours, he said, will remain the same as before and they can be reached at 705-457-9833.

The larger space offers CRS the potential to offer new lines of products in the future. Tallman said they had been looking for a larger location for a few years.

The close proximity to their former

location has obvious benefits to its pre-existing customer base and how close it is to the frequented Dysart landfill site offers opportunities to reach new customers.

"We're right in the same area. Every customer goes to the dump. Every cottager goes to this dump – 90 per cent of them anyway," he said.



CRS (Contractor Rental Supply) Haliburton manager Doug Tallman welcomes the public and past customers to the business's new location at 162 Industrial Park Rd. The new location is four times larger than their previous location and it has centralized all of their equipment and products on one lot.  
LAURA SMITH Staff

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### Dancing the night away

HIGHLANDS resident Eleanor Dobbins dances with her son Hawksley, 5, and daughter Isla, 7, to the music of Custom Blend at the Two Bands One Great Dance concert on Saturday night, April 15 at the Royal Canadian Legion in Haliburton. Close to \$2,000 was raised for the Highlands Summer Festival theatre group from the concert, which drew close to 100 people. This event included a loonie and silent auction, and also featured Fifth Business and musical guest Charlie Davis./DARREN LUM Staff



Fifth Business performs at the Two Bands One Great Dance concert on Saturday night, April 15 at the Royal Canadian Legion in Haliburton./DARREN LUM Staff



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*Forever in our memories: Creighton Fair*



by Darren Lum

## Bear season begins

**A** LETTER IN last week's paper featured several Environment Haliburton members sharing tips about composting in honour of Earth Day. One of the key features of their input was how to effectively compost without attracting bears.

Black bears are a part of our natural environment and, like most wild animals, don't want much to do with humans. However, our propensity to leave out food they like, especially during years with poor berry and mast yield means bear-human encounters are a regular occurrence.

A few years back, we seemed to be running regular bear stories in the paper – the bad kind, where a bear shows up in someone's home or cottage, riffling through their fridge. Many years ago, reporter Chad Ingram wrote a full feature story about finding a bear in his family's cottage kitchen.

Retired Canadian Press journalist and *Minden Times* columnist Jim Poling Sr. wrote a book titled *Bears in the Bird Feeders: Cottage Life on Shaman's Rock*, which featured some of the stories of his bear encounters at his Algonquin Highlands cottage.

On the east side of the county, in recent years we carried stories about a man's dog wrestling with a black bear near Haliburton and a woman out in the forest in Harcourt area who ended up fending off a bear herself. Again, dogs were involved.

This year, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry is reminding residents that bears are likely to

be out and about early due to the warm spring.

Garbage and bird seed are the two main attractors of bears. It follows that they advise feeding birds only in winter when bears are hibernating and keeping garbage in containers with tight-fitting lids. Remove grease from outdoor barbecues and don't feed your pets outdoors, they say.

Bears will travel up to 100 kilometres when they're hungry, remembering a reliable former food source.

As an aside: if you see a bear at the dump, don't go chasing it around to take a photo. Bears can run very quickly and wrestling with one will put you in the hospital. Some think bears look cute while eating garbage, but creeping up to get a good shot is not advisable. At all.

Not all bear encounters are dangerous ones. If you see a bear checking out a garbage

container, in a tree in a residential area, moving through backyards or pulling apart a bird feeder, for example, you can call the Bear Wise reporting line for assistance 24-7 from April 1 to Nov. 30: 1-866-514-2327.

However, if a black bear is exhibiting aggressive behaviour – stalking or lingering, trying to enter (or entering) a residence – in a school yard, in a public gathering or killing pets or livestock, call 911. Police are the ones tasked with handling bears that are immediate threats. The MNRF may be called by the police to assist them when possible.

Some useful tips on bear encounters can be found at [ontario.ca/bearwise](http://ontario.ca/bearwise).



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## Editorial

## Come wander downtown

**I**T IS A GREAT PLEASURE to welcome The Up River Trading Company to downtown Haliburton. Many people will recognize the business name as they have had a thriving business in Minden for the past five years. Both locations will have some similarities, like the tasty and delicious cafe sitting area or to go service. But the architecture of each location allows for feature items and products that are only available in one of the locations. For example, unique to the Haliburton store is the modern and stylish Uno de 50 jewelry line. Paul Roy, owner/manager, happily informed me that they have received a warm reception from customers and their business neighbours after opening on Easter Saturday. He said "they are proud to provide a nice experience for visitors and complement the other businesses in the area." We are happy to have them, and encourage you to drop by while visiting downtown Haliburton!

Recently the Ontario Highlands Tourism Organization hosted a meeting to present the "Come Wander" marketing theme that they have been working on for the past couple of years. This marketing theme is a communication program that everyone living in Haliburton, and visiting Haliburton can identify with. Have you "wandered" the area during a studio tour? Have you "wandered" down the river on an inner tube? Have you "wandered" down the slopes at Sir Sam's? Have you "wandered" around the restaurants, shops, and

businesses in downtown Haliburton? As you can see "Come Wander" speaks to the leisurely roamer tourist and the adventure seeker tourist. You will see this marketing theme more and more as we all use it in our advertising and tourism messages. Please be encouraged to "Come Wander" ... and enjoy what downtown Haliburton has to offer!

To enhance your downtown visit, the local businesses have been invited to participate in a window decorating contest. The theme for this event is the beauty of spring!

Judging for this event will take place on Friday, May 19, and the first, second and third place winners will all receive prizes.

There is so much happening in Haliburton Village as we celebrate Dysart et al's 150th anniversary. Please get out and participate in the celebratory events that are being planned by very talented and energetic volunteers. Your attendance and enjoyment is their reward for their efforts.

## The Village



Cindy  
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As always, but never said enough, you make downtown Haliburton the successful economic area that it is – thank you!

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# points of view

## My sci-fi reality

**H**AD I KNOWN then what I know now, I might have never chipped in for the Christmas gift we gave my mother. Don't get me wrong; I would have chipped in for a gift – I love my mother dearly – I just wouldn't have chipped in for that iPad.

The iPad was a bad decision. My brother, sister and I know that now. We're all in agreement on this.

Honestly, I didn't think it would be an issue.

I thought mom wouldn't be able to use it as expertly as she does. In fact, I believed the technology would confuse my 78-year-old mother. And that's mostly why I agreed to it. I thought it would be cute to see her play Angry Birds when we visited.

But Mom surprised me. And she did so despite the fact she has never owned a computer or cellphone of any type before this. It didn't even matter that English comprehension is not her strong suit since it's her second language.

She took to the iPad readily, all things considered – which is what I was afraid might happen. There is nothing more dangerous than a high-tech device in the hands of someone who has nothing but time.

Now two to five times a day, I get a call on my phone – and so do my brother and sister. And as soon as we answer, my mother's face shows up on the screen for a live video chat.

And this is why I wish we had just bought her another foot massage unit.

Please understand, it's not that I dislike talking to Mom.

The problem is way back when I was a kid, the only time you saw a video chat was on science fiction shows like *Star Trek* or movies like *Star Wars* – basically any show or movie with Star in the title – except

for *Stars on Ice*.

Those sci-fi shows and movies gave us hope about what the future might bring. Again, with the exception of *Stars on Ice* – for no kid of my generation ever dreamed about living in a future where skin-tight, sequined onesies were the norm.

The thing is many of the science fiction gizmos we saw as kids have now become part of our daily life. Computers, cellphones and video chats are three of the most common.

And my mother's expert use of video chat is showing me the difference between the fantasy and the reality of this sorry situation.

For instance, when we were imagining these video chat conversations as kids, we envisioned fielding important calls such as those from some Star Fleet Admiral letting us know a nearby space station was being attacked by Klingons or at the very least battered by a meteor storm.

We never imagined our own video chats would primarily consist of our mothers calling to ask us what we were having for dinner and to remind us that we need to a) eat more broccoli b) call your sister or c) visit more often because she's not getting any younger, you know....

I think we never considered this because those sci-fi shows never actually prepared us for the more mundane calls that you'd receive on the big screen.

Not once did Captain Kirk's mother show on the big screen on the deck of the Enterprise to tell him he needed a shave and haircut, for instance. Or that he looked like he was putting on a bit of weight.

Yet I get that call once a week.

If I had known this was going to be a huge part of my future, I would have never chipped in for that iPad. Instead I would have bought her some nice stationery and a set of good pens so we could communicate the old fashioned way, like she did with her parents.

On the other hand, I suppose it could always be worse. The computer companies could have invented the transporter rooms where people could get beamed everywhere on a whim.

Then there would be no excuse for why I don't visit as much as I should.



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## Loon Tales

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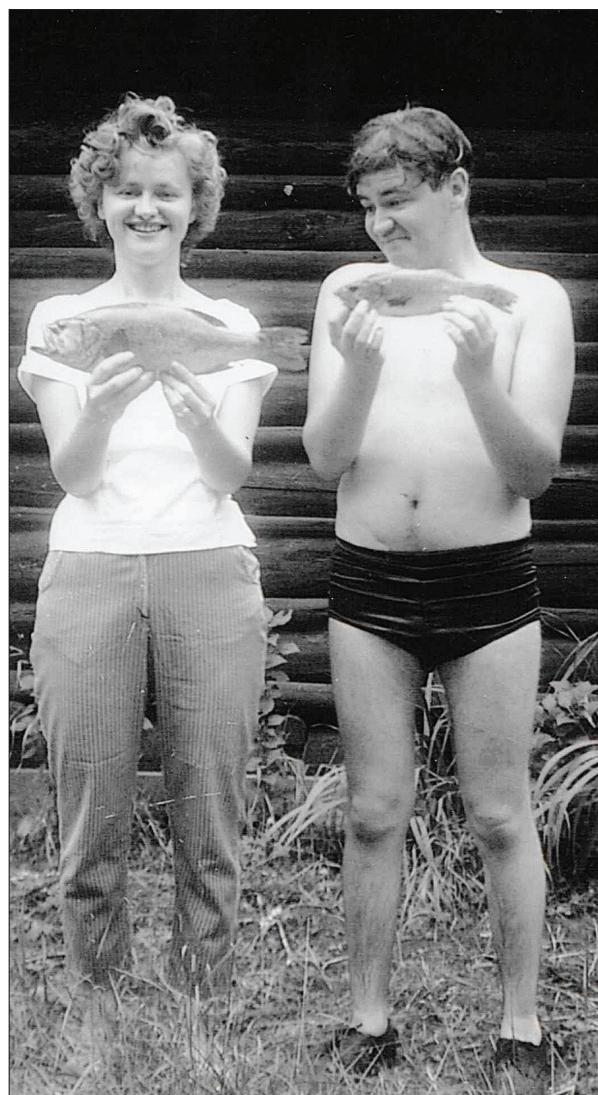
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## pic of the past

This photo was submitted by Brett Proud. He writes: "Taken in the early 1950s at All-Go Camp on Salerno Lake, which is right at Irondale in the municipality of Highlands East."

The sister and brother in the photo are Gloria Proud (nee Lancaster) of Lindsay – my mother – and Jerry Lancaster of Port Credit.

All 60 acres of All-Go Camp was owned at the time by William and Lily Lancaster. Lily had purchased the property as a tribute to her nephew, Edward Holness, who was a fighter pilot in WWII and had dreamed of opening a youth summer camp when he returned from the war. Sadly, he never made it back.

William and Lily sold the All-Go Camp to a developer in the mid-1960s so that William could retire.

For my two sisters and brother, we spent our childhood summers at Salerno Lake starting in 1958. There was no better place to be a kid!"



## Welcome, Evangeline!

Staff and the Haliburton Echo are excited to congratulate reporters Angelica and Chad Ingram on the birth of their daughter, Evangeline Marie Ingram. Baby Evangeline was born on Thursday, April 20 at Ross Memorial Hospital. How's that for a good news story?

## BOONIEVILLE



# Dragon boating rewarding sport for local participants

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"I'm very excited," said Whittemore, a crew member on the IB women's team and a spare for the mixed crew. "I'm 66 years old and I hike, canoe and cycle. The more I do, the better I feel. It's really rewarding, mentally. We're all over 50, but most of us are over 60. One of our crew members from Lindsay is 76."

Only three years ago, the paddlers grew from a spark of an idea to a member of The Haliburton County Community Co-operative, an umbrella organization that runs a number of not-for-profit initiatives in the county. Through the co-op they joined Dragon Boat Canada, and obtained marine insurance. The Co-op also provided some start-up funds, and 20 individuals stepped forward with donations and interest-free loans that together were sufficient to allow the paddlers to obtain a steersperson's oar, 20 paddles and a dragon boat – the Susanna Foo.

"There's a whole gang working on refurbishing the boat right now – sanding, painting, varnishing," Whittemore said.

"We've received tremendous support from the community. RPM stores it for the winter. Patient News lets us keep it docked during the summer. And the Minden Curling Club is where it's presently being worked on indoors."

Boyce loves the competitive aspect of sports and looks forward to the challenge that the World Masters Games provides.

"We're not representing Ontario or Canada," she said.

"We're representing our own club, made up of male and female paddlers from Kawartha Lakes, Durham and Haliburton." Boyce, who used to be a competitive swimmer, has been dragon boating for two summers and will compete with both the IB women's and mixed crews. "I'm very excited. We worked hard all year for this."

In addition to practices twice per week last summer on Head, Grass and Kashagawigamog lakes in Haliburton, most of the women paddlers, aptly dubbed "The Kiwi Crew" also made the trip to Lindsay twice a week where they practised on the Lindsay River with IB Dragonboating, under Games coach Carol Gonder – a competitive swimmer and former competitor in the first World Masters Games in 1986.

When the cooler weather came, it didn't curb their enthusiasm. They practised throughout the fall and winter at "The Tank," (created for indoor simulated dragon boat training) at Trent University in Peterborough, focusing on both fitness and technique.

Participation in the Games started with Gonder. When she learned of the opportunity to compete in the World Masters, she wasn't sure if they could field a team.

Each paddler would have to cover her own costs to New Zealand.

According to Ellis, "When she put it out to us, we all said: Let's do it."

To help with the cost of training and registration fees for the Games, which run from April 21 to 30, fundraising initiatives included "Project Turkey Pie," where the team made and sold 2,700 pies; and two fashion shows. Approximately \$19,000 was raised.

They also received \$4,000 in donations from local (Lindsay) business owners. The money raised was applied to registration (\$400 each) and training costs for the tank rental.

"The most amazing thing is how the Lindsay group welcomed us," said Ellis.

"Some of them started with the breast cancer survival group, the 'Dragon Flies,' which Carol Gondor helped to create, so they had been together for quite awhile. I'm really proud to be part of their team. They're inspiring and have a different outlook on life."

According to a blog post at [www.haliburtonhighland-spaddlers.ca](http://www.haliburtonhighland-spaddlers.ca), 25,000 athletes at the 2017 World Masters Games will compete in 28 sports across 48 venues.

The IB dragon boating teams will have two practices in Auckland Harbour prior to their races on April 29 (500 metres) and 30 (200 metres), in Lake Pupuke near Auckland.

Regardless of the outcome at the New Zealand World Masters Games, Whittemore and the Kiwi crew look forward to competing again.



Jonny Harris, host of *Still Standing*, will be making his way to Wilberforce in May. Photo from episode 204 in Fort Coulonge, Que. /Photo courtesy of CBC

## Free comedy show planned

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"We told them, we don't have a lot of famous people, but we do have really interesting, and really valuable, and very neat people," said Mary Barker of Agnew's General Store. "We said, 'we have a large population of people over 80 who still shovel their roofs, live alone, bake pies, and do community work. You should come and meet all of those interesting people we have.'"

Barker said the first year the show came calling, Wilberforce wasn't picked. But then this year, the show producers reached out to the town again. The next thing Barker knew, she had received a message from the township office saying the producers had booked Lloyd Watson Centre on May 15 for the show's Wilberforce episode finale.

*Still Standing* producers were recently in town to research the area and interview residents, some who will appear on the show. Anne Francis, a producer on the show, said a colleague found Wilberforce friendly and welcoming.

"She came home saying, 'that town is full of optimistic people, despite their challenges, who fiercely love where they live.'"

The award-winning show features rural towns across Canada that have survived despite a setback – often fading industry, natural disaster or population decline. Usually towns have few residents, except in the case of fire-ravaged Fort McMurray, which will be featured in the upcoming season.

"Everybody's excited," said Barker, who will appear on the show to highlight the general store and geocaching in the area, recognized as the Geocaching Capital of Canada.

"Wilberforce came across our radar first because of its geocaching angle," said Francis in an email. "Wilberforce has lost so much in terms of industry and infrastructure but no one can take away the beauty of its natural environment. Geocaching seems like a great way to draw outsiders and introduce them to the area."

The show's host, Harris, is known as a stand-up and sketch comedian, former writer for *This Hour Has 22 Minutes* and as Constable George Crabtree on *The Murdoch Mysteries*. The show will follow him as he interviews locals, learns about the history of the area, tries a local delicacy and experiences an adventure.

At the end of a few days of filming, Harris performs a stand-up routine based on the stories he has heard. The stand-up show draws a lot of laughs while also informing a live audience and viewers at home about the resiliency of small towns. Some of the audience members are

shown on the program.

"We like to call it a toast to the town," said Francis.

Barker noted the show's producers were interested in the recent closure of the town's bank. Earlier this year, Scotiabank closed branches in Wilberforce and nearby Maynooth in a move toward promoting online and mobile banking. Wilberforce residents – many who said they didn't have access to computers or the Internet – responded passionately and vowed to remain vibrant despite the loss.

Erik Morrison, a 14-year-old entrepreneur, said in researching the show, producers had asked him about his opinion of the bank closure in a pre-show interview. Morrison created Erikord Survival, a paracord products company, in 2012, when he was 10.

"They asked about how I started, about the business, and just to explain about myself," said Morrison. "I liked it, I thought it was fun."

Morrison said for his segment on the show, he'll be taking Harris fishing in Dark Lake using a Fishing Survival Kit, part of his product line. He suggested the idea to show producers when they asked how he could spend his time with the host in the area.

"During my school lunches in Grade 8, we'd go to the public dock and fish off the dock," he said. "We caught 20 to 30 fish there in 20 minutes once on a record day."

Despite being nervous, Morrison is looking forward to the experience to showcase his town as well as his company.

The show can provide a tourism boost after being featured to a big audience. A map on the CBC *Still Standing* website offers fans the chance to route and plan a road trip based on towns featured in each of the three seasons. More than 53,000 fans have liked the *Still Standing* Facebook page.

"Any kind of good publicity is welcome," said Barker.

"It's finally set in that something really exciting is going to happen here," said Burton.

The wrap-up *Still Standing* comedy show is free and open to anyone aged 14 and older. It's being held May 15 at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce, which holds about 200 people. Doors open at 6 p.m., the show starts at 6:30.

The comedy show is expected to take approximately one and a half hours to film, with no intermission. Entry is first come, first served, and organizers are hoping to fill the hall.

Season 3 of *Still Standing* begins on June 27 at 9 p.m., and includes episodes about Ontario towns Mattawa, South River, and Norwood.

The Wilberforce episode is expected to air in 2018.

# Local organizations thank their volunteers

JENN WATT

Editor

This is Volunteer Week – a time marked across the country to appreciate the work done by those who give of themselves for the betterment of others. We contacted a few local organizations that operate on the power of these special people for their thoughts on volunteers.

## Volunteer Dental Outreach Clinic

**How many volunteers do you have and what do they do?**

Lisa Kerr: At Volunteer Dental Outreach we currently have five regular volunteer dentists who come on average once per month. We also have a dentist who volunteers every other week to help patients with their denture needs. We are very pleased that in May we will also have two University of Toronto Dental students who will be graduating in a few weeks come as volunteers. We also have volunteer dental hygienists to provide dental cleaning and scaling for our patients. In May we will also have a student dental assistant from Durham College helping us. Volunteer dentists perform dental work for patients in our community unable to afford dental care. There are also volunteer administrative staff who help with booking and confirming appointments for patients. Our board of directors of nine volunteers is also very active in organizing fundraising events such as our annual Golf tournament and ensuring that the charity is operating to fulfill its mandate to provide free dental care to low income residents of Haliburton County.

**What programs or services are available at your organization thanks to volunteers?**

LK: All of the dental services provided; dental

examinations, fillings, root canals, dentures, extractions, dental scalings are all provided by our volunteer dental professionals. Also without the work done by our board to fundraise, write grant applications, and recruit volunteers, we would not be able to offer any of our patient care because it costs over \$90,000 per year to operate the clinic. Our organization also appreciates many individuals who help as volunteers with our annual golf tournament which will take place in August at Blairhampton Golf Course and companies who provide internet and web services and snow plowing.

**In a few sentences, what do volunteers mean to you/your organization?**

LK: The volunteers who donate their time and skills to help patients at Volunteer Dental Outreach mean that people in our community who cannot afford dental care are being given life changing treatment. People who are in pain and living on antibiotics and pain medications, unable to eat fruits and vegetables because they are unable to chew are being helped by the dentists, dentist and dental hygienists who volunteer at Volunteer Dental Outreach. Volunteers are the reason our organization has been able to help over 700 patients and provide close to \$2 million in free dental treatments since we opened in May 2011.

## Canoe FM

**How many volunteers do you have and what do they do?**

Roxanne Casey: 133 volunteers at this time. Volunteers are most noticed as on air hosts, but we have volunteers who develop policies, are members of our board, do marketing, fundraising, choose and listen to music we put on our broadcast system, decide on programming for on air listening, record programming for themselves and other volunteers, work in the office, organize and execute all aspects of our bingo program. Our Radio Hall would not be a functioning

facility without our many volunteers who record, edit and man the sound system.

**What programs or services are available at your organization thanks to volunteers?**

RC: Our volunteers work together to train, educate, inform, entertain and most importantly keep people connected in Haliburton County.

**In a few sentences, what do volunteers mean to you/your organization?**

RC: Everything! Without the volunteers we would not be a functioning radio station. We owe so much to each and every volunteer and we can't thank them enough for all that they do.

Volunteers are Canoe FM. Volunteers are your friends and neighbours sharing information to the community. As the station manager I am proud of what our volunteers accomplish each and every day and I am truly honoured to work with them all.

## Dysart et al

**How many volunteers do you have (approximately) and what do they do?**

Andrea Mueller: We have approximately 170 volunteers. Here is a breakdown of what they do: 53 are on committees (i.e. Glebe Park, Skate Park, West Guilford Community Centre board); 25 help with programs (softball, ball hockey, line dancing, basketball); 62 help with festivals and events (Frost Festival, ColourFest, Hardwater Festival, Zombie Walk, Explore our Lakes, etc.); 30 are volunteer firefighters.

Through the recreation programs the volunteer coaches are offered a free registration.

This year, for the first time we are holding a volunteer recognition event spearheaded by the Recreation Advisory Committee.

Our volunteers are valuable and it was time to recognize their contributions. Moving forward we would like to turn this into an annual event.

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## Minden Royal Legion, Branch 636

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dining room. You do not have to be a member to  
volunteer.*

*We only have two paid employees in our branch, the  
remainder of running this organization is done by  
volunteers. As you know we donate very generously  
to our Veterans and our Community, and could not  
do so without the help of volunteers.*

*Judy Flieger, President Branch 636.*

*Thank you!*

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#### In a few sentences, what do volunteers mean to you/your organization?

AM: Volunteers are an integral part of our organization. Without them a lot of our recreation programs, committees, festivals and events would cease to exist. Our volunteers dedicate their time to making projects happen within the community. They help with everything from planning behind the scenes to turning something into a reality. Volunteers in our organization bring smiles to many people's faces and help creating ever-lasting memories. Our community relies on the volunteer firefighters to help keep us safe – we are extremely fortunate that these volunteers are a part of our organization.

### Kawartha Haliburton Children's Aid Society

**How many volunteers do you have (approximately) and what do they do?**

KHCAS: Approximately 60 individuals volunteered in a variety of capacities for the Kawartha-Haliburton Children's Aid Society (KHCAS). This included volunteer drivers who logged over 544,000 kms assisting children, youth and families.

**What programs or services are available at your organization thanks to volunteers?**

KHCAS: For years, Children's Aid Societies have benefitted from the assistance of volunteers; individuals who have historically played an essential role in child welfare across the province. As a volunteer with a Children's Aid Society you may be involved with driving children to school or to appointments, offering guidance as a mentor, providing your expertise as a member of the board of directors or agency committee, or assisting with the planning or execution of a fun-

draising event. No matter the role, each volunteer is important and their contributions are vital to helping Societies be successful in the work they do.

#### In a few sentences, what do volunteers mean to you/your organization?

Jennifer Wilson, executive director of KHCAS: We are so fortunate to be able to benefit from the generosity and expertise of the many community members who choose to volunteer for our Society. Their dedication, energy and enthusiasm contributes to the well-being of many of the children, youth and families we serve and we thank them for the significant role they play in the success of the work that we do.

### Royal Canadian Legion – Minden branch

**How many volunteers do you have and what do they do?**

Judy Flieger: We have approximately 30 volunteers, many of whom are not members. They serve and clean up after our lunches, clean the parking lot and tend to our gardens. They help prepare for our Sunday euchre, and run other functions.

**What programs or services are available at your organization thanks to volunteers?**

JF: We have three types of euchre, two darts, art lessons, rug hooking meetings, slender seekers, meat draws every week, memorial services, birthday parties, and several other functions, served by our volunteers.

#### In a few sentences, what do volunteers mean to you/your organization?

JF: Without our wonderful volunteers, we could not operate, and raise funds for donations to our veterans, the community and the youth in the county. We also have a full executive board completely filled with volunteers. We only have two paid employees, the remainder of the organization is manned by volunteers.

### Haliburton Highlands Health Services

**How many volunteers do you have and what do they do?**

Brigitte Gebauer: HHHS has over 350 volunteers working in a variety of capacities from the board and committees, the Minden and Haliburton auxiliaries, the Foundation, helping with activities and visiting and entertainment in Hyland Crest and Highland Wood long term care, and giving their time to the Community Support Services: driving people to medical appointments, delivering Meals on Wheels, helping out at our adult day programs, sharing time with people through our hospice and friendly visiting programs and leading our social recreation and diner's club programs.

**What programs or services are available at your organization thanks to volunteers?**

BG: Some of our programs would not be able to function without our volunteers including hospice, medical transportation, Meals on Wheels delivery, social recreation and diner's club.

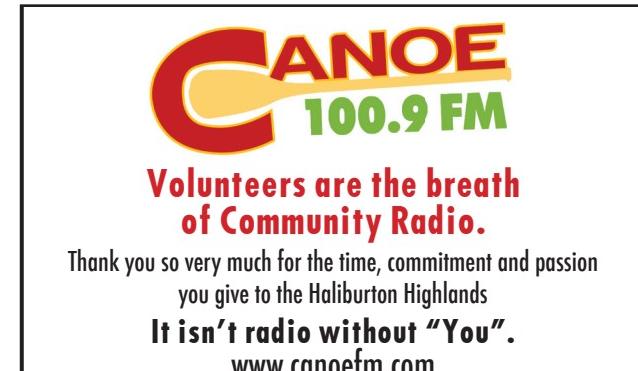
Our adult day and LTC activities programming would be far less enjoyable for participants and residents without those who generously give of their time to provide entertainment. Volunteers who donate their time to fundraising through the auxiliaries and the Foundation are directly responsible for raising funds to support the hospitals and LTC homes in both Minden and Haliburton.

**In a few sentences, what do volunteers mean to you/your organization?**

BG: For a small community the Haliburton Highlands have the cream of the crop of volunteers. They have a great impact on everything that we do here whether it is in the arts community, sports community, social services and of course in the health-care system.

HHHS volunteers bring smiles to people's faces, compassion and empathy to those having a hard time, essential services like drives to medical appointments and food delivery to those who need them. They also work hard to raise funds and awareness and support our organization through leadership roles.

Needless to say, HHHS volunteers are an essential component of the fabric of health care in the Haliburton Highlands and their generosity is greatly appreciated by all of the staff, residents and clients of HHHS and the community at large.



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Volunteers for Dysart et al came together for the first Volunteer Appreciation Day upstairs at the arena in Haliburton. "It's our turn today to say thank you," said Deputy-reeve Andrea Roberts at the afternoon event that featured snacks and gifts of maple walnut fudge. JENN WATT Staff

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Membership cards will be required in order to vote.  
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The nomination board will be on display  
at the branch from April 6th.



## Smashing results for Hawks badminton program

The following HHSS are Sports briefs for the week ending April 21.

The Red Hawks junior badminton team had a good day at the Kawartha qualifier, kicking off a week of solid finishes for the program. There were six players who advanced to the Kawartha championships a few days later on Thursday at Thomas A. Stewart Secondary in Peterborough.

Kawartha qualifiers: Denver Allore and Dakota MacDonald, 3rd place mixed doubles; Natalya Gimon, 4th place women's singles; Zach Morissette and Ryan Hall, 4th men's doubles; Owen Gilbert, 4th men's singles

### Sr. Hawks send five to COSSA

The senior badminton team travelled to Crestwood Secondary School in Peterborough for the Kawartha championship tournament on Wednesday, April 19. The

entire team played great. Despite the stiff competition, the team had five players qualify for the upcoming COSSA championship tournament.

Qualifier results: Hannah Klose and Dylan Smith, 4th mixed doubles Mat Wilbee and Andrew Hall, 4th men's doubles Ben Schmidt, 1st men's singles.

### Rookies upset favourites en route to COSSA

The junior badminton team played very well against some very talented schools at the Kawartha championships in Peterborough on Thursday, April 20. The story of the day was our rookie Grade 9 men's doubles team of Zach Morissette and Ryan Hall. Both boys elevated their play all tournament. Ranked fourth, our team went on to defeat and eliminate the first place team from Holy Cross and the second place team from Brock to qualify for the upcoming COSSA championships in Belleville.

Note: the top four players advanced to COSSA.

Submitted by Judi Paul

## Learning the basics

A Grade 3 class at Stuart Baker Elementary School at left, listens to teacher Allison Perecko instruct about how to sweep in curling during the 40-minute session provided by Egg Farmers' Rocks and Rings. The Curling Canada program was delivered on Thursday, April 20 at the Haliburton school. Students received basic instruction about the winter sport from the program co-ordinator Whitney Boles (and assistance from school faculty), who worked with several classes in separate sessions using the Floor Curl equipment - making it possible to use the gym floor to curl. This was made possible by Gesa Haase and Marit Lapierre and sponsorship from the Rotary Club of Haliburton, who also financed the purchase of a Floor Curl set for the school to use in future gym classes. /DARREN LUM Staff

Below, Grade 3 student Trevin Bain-Gross slides his rock to the house.



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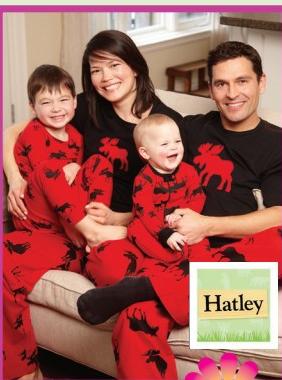
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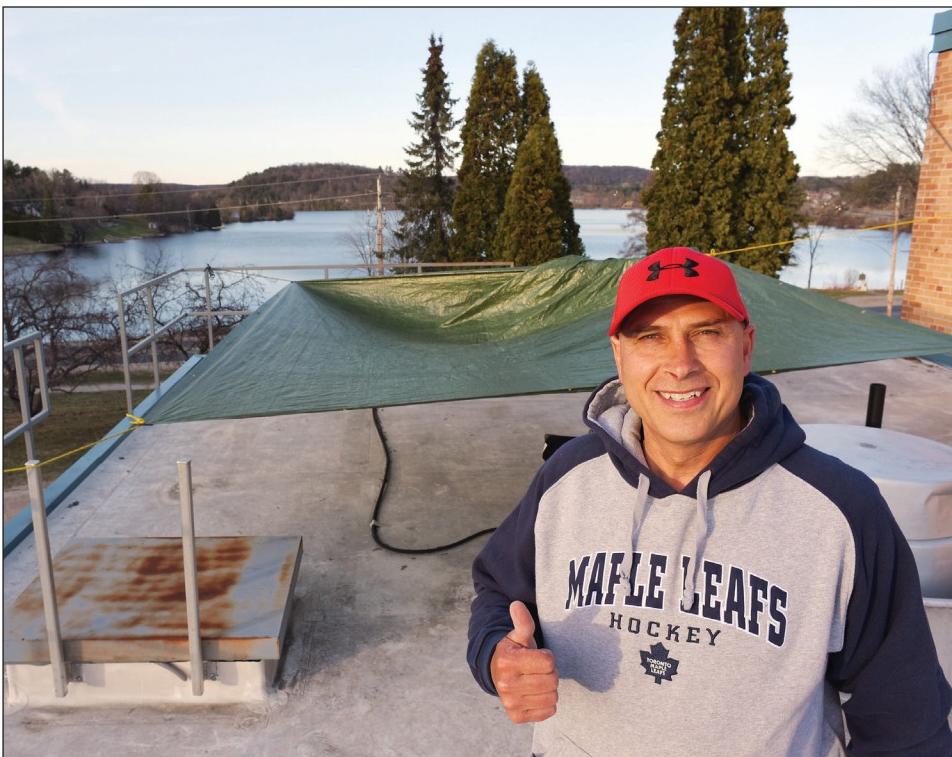


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## Principal camps out for autism

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School principal Dan Marsden spent the night on the school roof with a simple set up of a tarp for shelter, a reclining patio chair and a sleeping bag, including miscellaneous other items (flashlight, work desk with battery powered light and water) on Tuesday night April 18. Students successfully raised \$1,200 for the Light It Up Blue effort for autism awareness and research. The fundraised total for the event, which included a bake sale and the donations for Marsden and several other teacher challenges went to Autism Ontario - Peterborough branch and the school's Practical Academic and Life Skills (PALS) students during World Autism Month. The event was possible thanks to Brianne Pickett, Judi Paul and Leanne Kennedy./DARREN LUM Staff

## Notice



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#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COMMITTEE OF ADJUSTMENT

- DATE: Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017
- TIME: 11:00 am.
- LOCATION: Council Chambers at the Municipal Office, 135 Maple Ave., Haliburton, Ontario.

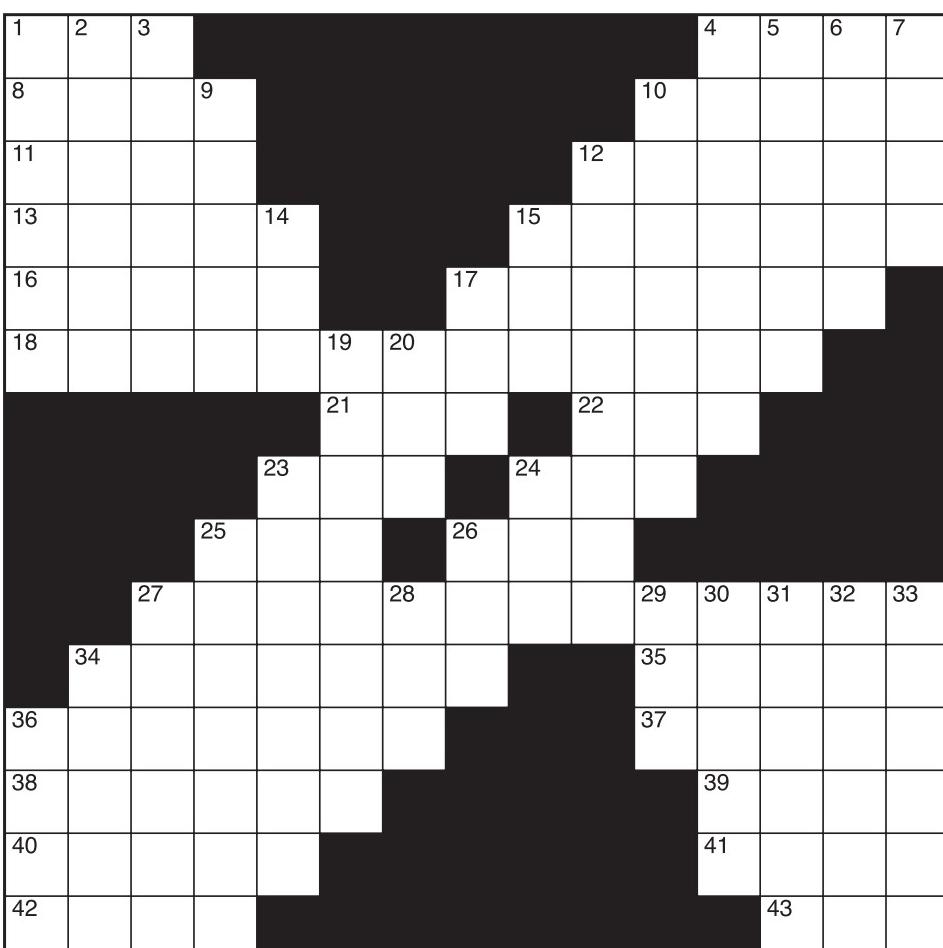
#### APPLICATIONS:

1. D13-MV-2017-004 – Henderson
  - Purpose and Effect: to permit construction of a private garage on a property located in the WR4L zone:
    - a) A variance to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a private garage to have a maximum structure height of 7.5 metres (24.61 feet) as opposed to the required 5.5 metres (18.04 feet).
  - Location: Part of Lots 9 and 10, Concession 1, Part 1, Plan 19R-2025, Part 1, Plan 19R-7485, in the geographic Township of Dysart (Koshlong Lake – 1018 Chicory Drive).
2. D13-MV-2017-005 – Cregg
  - Purpose and Effect: to permit construction of a seasonal dwelling on a lot located in the WR4L zone:
    - a) A decrease to the provisions of Section 5.2 to permit a seasonal dwelling to have a minimum street setback from the right-of-way for Trisha's Trail of 3.6 metres (12 feet) as opposed to required minimum of 7.5 metres (24.61 feet).
  - Location: Part of Lot 13, Concession 6, Parts 4 to 6, Plan 19R-4075 in the geographic Township of Harburn (Haliburton Lake – Trisha's Trail).
3. D13-MV-2017-006 – Burtch
  - Purpose and Effect: to permit construction of a covered porch on a lot located in the RU1 zone:
    - a) A decrease to the provisions of Section 3.30 to permit a single family dwelling to have a minimum street setback from Pine Avenue of 12.8 metres (42 feet) as opposed to required minimum of 16.15 metres (53 feet) which is the established legal non-complying setback.
    - b) A decrease to the provisions of Section 9.2 to permit a single family dwelling to have a minimum front lot line setback of 2 metres (6 feet) as opposed to required minimum of 5.136 metres (16.85 feet) which is the established legal non-complying setback.
  - Location: Part of Lot 19, Concession 9, Part 1, Plan 19R-1243 in the geographic Township of Dysart (284 Pine Avenue).

**ANY PERSON** is entitled to attend the hearing in person to express his/her views about these applications or may be represented by counsel for that purpose. If you do not attend the hearing the Committee may proceed in your absence and you will not be entitled to any further notice of the proceedings. The Committee will accept written submissions. **A copy of the decision will be sent to the applicant, the agent and to each person who has filed with the Secretary Treasurer a written request for notice of the decision.**

**FURTHER INFORMATION:** including specific information about the zone provisions affected by each application, is available from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular office hours (8:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday) or by phoning 705-457-1740.

Jeff Iles  
Secretary-Treasurer, Committee of Adjustment



#### CLUES ACROSS

1. Computer security philosophy (abbr.)
4. "Antman" actor Paul
8. Region
10. Heart veins \_\_ cavae
11. Stem
12. Public house
13. Outdated monetary units
15. Experiences again
16. Took possession of (Brit.)
17. Absolved
18. "His Airness"
21. Unhappy
22. The entirety
23. Meds without prescription
24. James Bond is one
25. Signal
26. Midwife
27. "The Who" guitarist
34. "Independence Day" actor
35. East Asian territory
36. Moved slowly
37. God of Assyria
38. Highland
39. Photographers' requests
40. Makes tractors
41. Witnesses
42. Not beginnings
43. Prosecutors

#### CLUES DOWN

1. Prejudice
2. Known for its sultans
3. Boston hoopster
4. An evangelistic meeting
5. Inconsistent
6. Challenged
7. Hideaways
9. Members of Mennonite sect
10. Cogently
12. Univ. of Maryland mascot
14. The Caspian is one
15. Greek letter
17. Law degree
19. Respected
20. Resin-like substance
23. A basis for
24. Popular horror movie franchise
25. Basements
26. Boxing promoter King
27. Plucked
28. Small amount
29. Shape-memory alloy
30. Metal plates
31. Resonated
32. Sickness
33. Coercion
34. Franz van \_\_, German diplomat
36. Type of ranch

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# THE HALIBURTON COUNTY ECHO

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### It's maple syrup time!

The annual ritual has started for another brief season

Every year at about this time, when the sun drives daytime temperatures up well above freezing, and the crisp night air puts an icy crust on fast diminishing snow, it happens.

Though you can't see it on the outside, and though the frost remains deep in the ground, the heat of the sun brings sap from the roots of maple trees and draws it up into the branches, stirring the trees back to life after their winter dormancy.

It was the Indians who first discovered that the sap could be turned into a thick, sweet syrup. They learned to gather it and place it in hollowed out logs, and found that heated stones placed in the sap could produce syrup in a matter of hours. And when the pioneers arrived, they wasted little time in learning the technique and refining the method.

Making maple syrup in heavy iron pots over an open fire became a spring ritual in Canada, and it is a ritual that has survived to this day.

But though hundreds of people still tap a few trees and gather enough sap to make a gallon or two of syrup for their own consumption, most people get their maple syrup from commercial producers who gather the sap in plastic lines and boil it off in huge evaporators.

Wally Crofts of RR 2 Haliburton is one such producer, and to his knowledge, he's one of the five biggest in Ontario. This year, he has 8,200 taps and if all goes well, at least 1,500 gallons of syrup will carry his Iron Kettle Maple Products label before the season is over.

Since 1967 the coming of the sap has meant weeks of 20 hour days for Crofts. That was the year he bought his first evaporator and went into commercial production. Before that he had learned to make it in iron kettles on the family farm, like scores of other Haliburton County residents.

Preparation for the syrup making season begins in the autumn for Crofts, when he heads out into the woods to hang up some of the 30 miles of plastic

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Wally Crofts draws off freshly made syrup

**Ratepayers angry over topless entertainment, restaurant operator to appear in court**

### Coboconk residents are up in arms

A Coboconk resident will appear in provincial court in Lindsay Friday to face charges of contravening a Bexley Township by-law.

Alex Vanderveen, who opened the Green Acres Restaurant for only two nights, March 16 and 17, will face a charge for providing topless entertainment at the restaurant in contravention of a by-law passed by council the night before the restaurant opened.

A conviction under the by-law could bring a fine of \$10,000 or a jail sentence of not less than one year, or both.

Bexley Township Reeve Everett Cameron said Tuesday that the council had "approved in principal" the reopening of the restaurant, which had been closed for a number of months, on the understanding that it would be a family type operation.

When it became clear that Vanderveen intended to pro-

vide topless entertainment in the restaurant, at the corner of Highways 35 and 48, council informed him that he would seek an injunction to prevent the opening, Reeve Cameron said.

To put teeth into their desire for a family restaurant, council drafted a by-law, in consultation with their solicitor, Ted Starr, to prohibit nude, semi nude, topless, or bottomless entertainment in the Township.

The by-law was passed at a special session Thursday, March 15, the day before the restaurant was scheduled to open, and according to Reeve Cameron, Vanderveen was told that it was on the books.

The restaurant was open two nights before it closed because of lack of staff, according to Vanderveen.

At a council meeting last Tuesday, close to 100 ratepayers turned up to express support for the by-law.

The meeting was a stormy

cussed which he felt should have been heard only in court, since the solicitor was working on the matter at the time of the meeting.

Vanderveen is apparently planning to bring counter charges stemming from what he termed slander and threats in connection with the incident.

According to the Reeve, a number of matters were dis-

cussed which he felt should have been heard only in the middle of the meeting, between the public and some members of council.

He added, however, that with the court appearance scheduled for Friday, "it will come to a head now one way or the other."

Under Health Services, the

### Foxes seen close to homes, council will ask MOH to hold rabies clinic in spring

Haliburton County Council will ask the medical officer of health to hold rabies clinics in the county before summer.

The decision came in response to a letter from Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit MOH Dr. D. E. Mikel, in which he said no such clinics were planned for the area this year.

Dr. Mikel's statement came despite numerous reports of foxes close to inhabited areas in recent weeks, behaviour which is often characteristic of infected animals.

Citing reports of foxes in the Kinnis Lake area and earlier reports of rabid foxes near Norland, Dysart et al Reeve Murray

Fearrey told council he felt a rabies clinic should be held in the county this spring.

"I don't think we should wait until someone is bitten by a rabid fox. I think we should request one right away," Fearrey said.

Last year, there were 70 confirmed cases of rabies in animals in the area covered by the Haliburton Kawartha

Pine Ridge District Health Unit, according to Unit statistics.

Of that number, two were dogs, five cats, 13 live stock, and the other 50 reported cases effected wild animals.

In 1977, 81 confirmed cases of rabies were reported in the district, including 47 instances effecting livestock and 27 instances effecting wild animals.

Since 1967, the average number of reported rabies cases in the district has been 74 per year, or an average of one infected animal for every 49 square miles of land.

This compares with an average of one rabid animal for every 1,825 square miles in Manitoba, and one animal for every 8,325 square miles in Ontario.

Only stipulation attached to the grant is that it must be paid back at the rate of \$1,000 a year beginning in 1980. The Chamber of Commerce will continue to be responsible for the sale of the tartan, and revenues from those sales will be used to repay the county.

### Council wants road repaired

Highway 519 between Eagle Lake and Highway 121 has been rutting, shocking and jolting drivers for years but that may soon change if Haliburton County Council has its way.

At their regular last Wednesday, County Council approved a 1979 budget that includes \$3,000 for the purchase of three more bolts of the material.

It will take at least three months for the material to be woven and shipped to the

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### County council okays '79 budget of \$693,627 up 2% over last year

Haliburton County Council took only a few minutes last Wednesday to approve a 1979 budget of \$693,627, approximately two percent higher than 1978's \$677,735 budget.

Last year's budget included \$25,000 for a planning study however, an expenditure that won't be required this year. That means the actual increase in this year's budget for normal expenditures is approximately six percent, an increase that still falls within provincial guidelines.

Haliburton County Council expects to spend \$31,300, up \$2,300 over last year.

Support grants of \$30,250 to the Haliburton Kawartha Pine Ridge District Health Unit, up from \$27,900 in 1978, account for the increase.

Under Social and Family Services, the new budget calls for expenditures of \$142,588, up more than \$12,000 over last year. Biggest single increase is for expenditures at the Hyland Crest Home, which are expected to rise by \$10,000, to \$90,000 this year.

Under Education, the new budget calls for expenditures of \$134,288, up from \$132,000 in 1978.

Under Recreation and Cultural Services, the county expects to spend \$43,800, \$4,600 more than was spent last year. Main difference is an increase in the County Library budget from \$31,500 to \$36,000. The increase was less than the Library Board had asked for however. Fearing that council would not accept the \$36,000 the board had asked for represented an increase of close to 25 percent over actual 1978 library expenditures.

Expenditures under Planning and Development are

expected to fall by more than \$20,000 in 1979, down to \$44,500 from the \$65,500 called for last year. Reason for the decline is the fact that the planning studies was completed last year at a cost of \$24,500 and the expenditure is not required this year.

The County's grant to the Chamber of Commerce will remain at \$13,000, the same amount provided last year.

Grant for the Economic Development Commission, a committee of the Chamber, will be increased by \$1,500 to

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### Council approves grants for 31 charities, organizations

Grants totalling \$31,950 for 21 charities and organizations in Haliburton County were approved last week when County Council adopted a 1979 budget.

In recommending the grants for approval, however, council's budget committee suggested a toughening up of their policy on grants. No grants should be considered in the future, budget committee chairman, Murray Fearrey said, unless organizations provide the committee with a financial statement.

As well, he said, large grants for particular projects would be given only once, and groups should no longer expect financial help from council year after year.

Biggest grants this year went to the newly revived Haliburton County Economic Development Committee, the Minden Library-Museum project, and to the Chamber of Commerce for the purchase of more County Tartan.

That grant is temporary however, and must be back to the county at \$1,000 a year over the next three years with money made from the sale of the Tartan.

Other grants approved last week were Haliburton

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The season ended for the Haliburton Huskies when they travelled to Lakefield for game five of their series against the Chiefs. Complete details of the final game are on page 6.

**Hyland Crest workers get \$1.06 over two years**

### County ratifies new contract

Haliburton County Council ratified last week a collective agreement between the Hyland Crest Senior Citizens home and members of the Canadian Union of Public Employees, local 1225, that calls for a two-year contract.

The new contract calls for wage increases of 46 cents an hour retroactive to January 1, 1979 for all union members employed at the home, with

two sides February 19. Covered under the terms of the new contract are Registered Nursing Assistants, maintenance staff, secretaries, kitchen staff and office workers.

The new contract calls for wage increases of 46 cents an hour retroactive to January 1, 1979 for all union members employed at the home, with

the exception of RNA's, who will get a 51 cents an hour increase as of January 1 this year.

All hourly rates will be increased by a further 20 cents an hour July 1, 1979, January 1, 1980 and July 1, 1980, for a total wage package of \$1.11 for RNA's and \$1.06 for all other employees.

Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey, chairman of the council's negotiating committee, said the increase for RNA's was larger because the Anti-Inflation Board had rolled back by 15 cents, wage increases for the RNA's granted in the 1978 contract. The roll back reduced an increase for the RNA's that took into account their nursing responsibilities, Fearrey told council.

Other concessions made in this year's bargaining session was an increase in the uniform allowance to \$25 a year from \$20 for part-time employees, and to \$40 a year from \$35 for full-time em-

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Stephenson said new equipment, costing \$132,000, has been installed to serve the exchange. It will automatically register a caller's number for billing purposes in a system called Automatic Number Identification designed to speed up direct distance dialled calls.

Rural customers on multi party lines will continue to be served by the familiar Operator Number Identification

Stephenson said new

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**Walkers Home hardware**

# Sure Thing intrigues and provokes

DARREN LUM

Staff Reporter

The Highlands Little Theatre is inviting the public to explore the human psyche with a trio of one-act plays this week.

The lineup includes three one-act comedies: *Sure Thing* directed by Guy Pritchard, *The Philadelphia* directed by Barry Willhelm, both written by David Ives, and *Something to Eat* directed by Jack Brezina and written by Norman L. Rhodes.

*Sure Thing* is set against the backdrop of an eatery in the U.S.

It will challenge its audience and showcases the what ifs of life.

"We all are performers. We all rehearse things. There are things in my mind, OK, I'm going to see this person tomorrow and maybe there is something I have to get off my chest and I'm going to say this and he's going to say that or just being in a social gathering and wonder: Well, that person looks interesting. I'm going to say such and such," Pritchard said. "It's sort of an exploration of what could happen with a chance encounter with a stranger."

The play is centred on a pair of 20-somethings (played by Hannah Klose and Stephen Thayer) Betty and Bob on their series of humorous, laugh-out-loud interactions repeated with slight variations in the scenes. Pritchard said *Sure Thing* is similar to the cult-classic movie *Groundhog Day* where the central theme is about how a day repeats itself for the main character.

"The audience, I think, will come to a resolution about where this variety of interactions come from. I don't want to give it away. You can take it on the surface of this is just a mutation of interactions and variety of potential interactions between two people," he said.

The leads of his upcoming play were quick studies, learning their lines well, and possessed a strong ability to embody their characters. Kate Butler plays the server in the show.

This is Pritchard's second effort as a director since his debut with the dark comedy *George is Dead* this past autumn. *Sure Thing* principals Klose and Thayer earned recognition for *George is Dead* at the Eastern Ontario

Drama League Festival for One Act Plays in Perth last fall. Klose won the award for best actress while Thayer was nominated for the best actor category.

Although Pritchard wishes he had more formal director training, he strives to maintain a light atmosphere at his rehearsals to benefit his cast and, ultimately, for the audience.

"If they're enjoying themselves in rehearsal then the audience is going to like it," he said.

Tickets are \$15. Performances are from April 28 and 29 at 8 p.m. and April 30 at 2 p.m. at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion in Haliburton. Preceding the evening performances, there will be live jazz music. Present your theatre tickets at McKecks and receive 15 per cent off your meal (not including alcohol). For more information and to reserve a dining seat call 705-457-3443. Email April Martin at ajmartin769@me.com, or buy tickets at Master's Book Store in Haliburton or call 705-457-8764 for tickets and information.

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# Duchene named to Team Canada roster

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*It will be a breath of fresh air to play for Team Canada*

— Matt Duchene

NHLer Matt Duchene, a proud Haliburtonian and centre for the Colorado Avalanche, is looking forward to representing Canada for the sixth time at the upcoming IIHF World Championship this May.

Duchene was one of 18 players announced as early selections for the national roster on April 19, which also includes NHL players Claude Giroux, Mark Scheifele and Ryan O'Reilly.

It will be a fresh start for the eight-year NHL veteran (all with the Avalanche) after a forgettable NHL season where his team failed to make the playoffs, finishing last in the league.

"This was the toughest year I've been through as a pro so it will be a breath of fresh air to play for Team Canada again. It's always an honour to pull on the red and white," he wrote in an email.

Duchene didn't elaborate on what he meant by "toughest year."

However, fans already know his point totals didn't approach career highs, and his name came up in trade rumours.

the opportunity to use his experience to help the team win.

"I have a ton of international experience at this point so that's something I'll be able to bring. I think with that I can bring leadership as well. This is my sixth time playing in this tournament so it's very familiar and very comfortable for me. I think I can use that to play the best I can and help my teammates as well," he said.

The team opens the tournament against the Czech Republic on Friday, May 5. The medal games are scheduled for Sunday, May 21.



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Guy Few, a concert pianist, trumpeter, university professor and frequent performer in the Haliburton concert series, shared his profound musical knowledge, infectious enthusiasm and delightful sense of humour with performers who included string and woodwind players, vocalists, pianists and ensembles.

It was the third time that Few has adjudicated the non-competitive festival, which celebrates the joy of musical performance and gives local music students, including a growing number of adults, an opportunity to display the fruits of diligent practice.

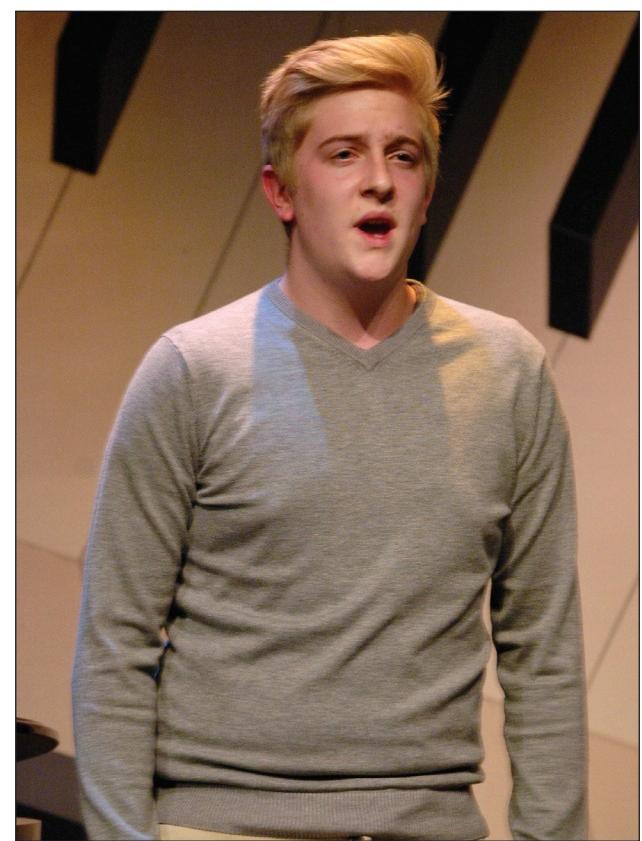
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*Submitted by Len Pizzey*



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## 650 OBITUARIES



**Marion Barry**  
*(Formerly of Haliburton, Ontario)*

Peacefully at Peterborough Regional Health Centre on Monday March 13, 2017 in her 86th year surrounded by her family. Beloved wife of the late Laverne Barry (2011). Loving mother of Wanda (Dennis Byers) of Bridgenorth, Patricia (Paul Harrison) of Minto, New Brunswick and Karen Barry of Penhold, Alberta. Fondly remembered by her grandchildren Cynthia (Andy), Darren (Stefanie), Kristina (Daniel), Joshua (Cherisse), Jarrett (Naomi), James (Shauna), Afton (Jon) and by her great grandchildren Cody, Tianna, Devalin, Harlow, Lily, James, Liam, Everett, Jordana, Charlie (deceased) and by her great great granddaughter Olivia. Dear sister of Alena, Shirley, Ethel and Bruce. Predeceased by her brothers Les, Earl, Ray and Howard. Also lovingly remembered by many nieces and nephews. Marion enjoyed reading, knitting, her dog Mia and most of all her grandkids.

**Graveside Service & Reception**

Friends are invited to call at **MAPLE LAKE UNITED CHURCH CEMETERY** on Monday morning, May 1, 2017 at 10 a.m. for a Graveside Service at 10:30 a.m. Reception to follow in The Community Room. As expressions of sympathy, donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation - Palliative Care Unit would be appreciated by the family. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705) 457-9209.

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**BEVAN, Michael John**  
*(ret. IBM Canada after 35 yrs.)*

It is with immense sadness that we announce the sudden passing in Charlotte N.C. on Saturday April 15 2017 while returning home from Florida.

He was extremely proud of his sons Jason of Toronto and Kurtis (Lauren) of Haliburton. He was a proud Poppa to Spencer and Lillian who meant the world to him.

He was a devoted and loving husband to Marilyn his wife of 45 years. He leaves behind a sister Joyce (Hayward) of Alberta and brother Ron of Collingwood. He was the beloved son of the late Isabel and Thomas Bevan and brother to the late Ray, Dorothy (Williams), Betty (Running) and Bonnie (Keberer).

Cremation has taken place and a celebration of Michael's life will take place on Sunday April 30th @ 11:00 am at the Haliburton Curling Club, 730 Mountain Street, Haliburton.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Doctors Without Borders, The Canadian Red Cross or the charity of your choice.

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